NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARD

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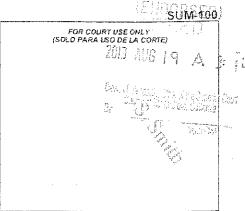
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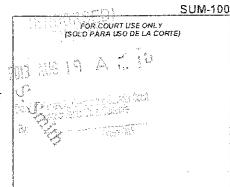
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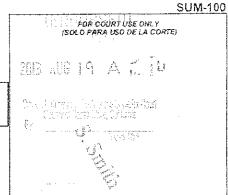
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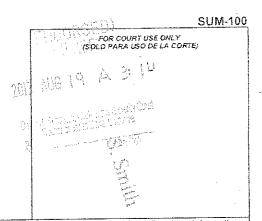
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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

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- 13 STAND FOR SAN JOSE; EILEEN
 - HANNAN; MICHELLE BRENOT;
- ROBERT BROWN; KAREN SHIREY; FRED SHIREY; and ROBERT SHIELDS.
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 - Petitioners and Plaintiffs,

V.

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- 18 CITY OF SAN JOSE; CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE; SUCCESSOR
- 19 AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT
- AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE;
- 20 SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT
- 21 BOARD; DIRIDON DEVELOPMENT
- AUTHORITY; DOES 1 through 10,
- 22 inclusive,
- Respondents and Defendants.

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25 ATHLETICS INVESTMENT GROUP LLC; DOES 11 through 20, inclusive,

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Real Parties in Interest.

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Case No. 113-CV-250372

VERIFIED FIRST AMENDED
PETITION FOR WRIT OF
MANDAMUS AND COMPLAINT
FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF AND
INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND FOR
ATTORNEY'S FEES

Related to Case No. 111-CV-214196

[Health & Safety Code §§ 34161, et seq. (Community Redevelopment Law); San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95 (Public Vote for Sports Facility); Pub. Res. Code §§ 21167, 21168, and 21168.5 (California Environmental Quality Act); C.C.P. § 526a (Illegal Sale of Public Property); C.C.P. §§ 1085 and 1094.5]

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1	Petitic	oners and Plaintiffs, Stand for San Jose ("SFSJ"), Eileen Hannan, Michelle		
2	Brenot, Robe	rt Brown, Karen Shirey, Fred Shirey, and Robert Shields (collectively,		
3	"Petitioners")	, hereby petition for a writ of mandamus and complain for declaratory and		
4	injunctive rela	ief and for attorney's fees against Respondents and Defendants, the City of		
5	San Jose ("Ci	ty"), the City Council of the City of San Jose ("City Council"), the Successor		
6	Agency to the	e Redevelopment Agency of the City of San Jose ("Successor Agency"), the		
7	Successor Ag	ency Oversight Board ("Oversight Board"), and the Diridon Development		
8	Authority ("T	DDA") (collectively, "Respondents"), and against Real Party in Interest,		
9	Athletics Inve	estment Group LLC ("AIG"), and for their petition and complaint allege as		
0	follows:			
1		GENERAL ALLEGATIONS		
2	1.	This petition and complaint challenges certain actions taken by Respondents		
3	on or about June 18, 2013, June 27, 2013, and August 13, 2013, respectively, continuing the			
4	unlawful encumbrance of certain publicly-owned property with an unenforceable option			
15	agreement (the "Option Agreement") that purports to commit the City to sell the subject			
16	property to AIG for purposes of a private downtown baseball stadium project (the "Ballpark			
17	Project" or "Project"). In taking these actions, Respondents failed to comply with the State			
18	Controller's 2013 Asset Transfer Review Report, issued March 4, 2013 (the "State			
19	Controller's I	Report"), and a number of State and local laws, despite their legal duty to		
20	comply with	that report and such laws, including the following:		
21	(a)	The California Community Redevelopment Law, Health & Safety Code		
22		§§ 34161, et seq. ("Redevelopment Law");		
23	(b)	San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95 (requiring a public vote before the City		
24		participates, by using tax dollars, in developing a sports facility);		
25	(c)	The California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code § 21000,		
26		et seq. ("CEQA"); and		
27	(d)	Code of Civil Procedure § 526a (prohibiting the illegal expenditure of public		
28		funds, or illegal sale or use of public property).		
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- 1 2. Respondents have pursued a baseball stadium project on public land for a
- 2 number of years, including the grant to AIG in 2011 of an exclusive Option Agreement to
- 3 buy six parcels of property in the Diridon Station Area of San Jose (the "Diridon Property"
- 4 or "Property") at a price that is now more than a 75% discount to fair market value. In
- 5 refusing to comply with State and local law rendering the Option Agreement unauthorized
- 6 and unenforceable, Respondents the City and its agencies have abused their powers and
- 7 violated their legal duties.
- 8 3. Beginning in or about 2005, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency spent
- 9 \$25 million in tax-increment funds to acquire the various parcels that make up the Diridon
- 10 Property, and it commenced environmental review for a potential ballpark project on the
- 11 Property. In 2010, the City represented that there would be additional environmental
- 12 review "when we have a project" and promised a public vote "prior to . . . making any
- 13 decision as to a potential ballpark."
- 14 4. In an effort to avoid State legislation proposed in 2011 to dissolve
- 15 redevelopment agencies and require sale of redevelopment agency lands such as the
- 16 Diridon Property for core municipal purposes, the City and the Redevelopment Agency
- 17 formed the DDA as a joint powers authority and then transferred the Diridon Property to
- 18 the DDA at no cost. After the new redevelopment law came into effect, the City and others
- 19 filed a legal challenge in the California Supreme Court. On November 8, 2011, two days
- 20 before arguments in the Supreme Court, the City Council and the DDA, in joint session,
- 21 voted to encumber the Diridon Property with the Option Agreement to sell the Property to
- 22 AIG. By encumbering the Property with an option granted to a private party, Respondents
- 23 hoped to avoid the re-transfer of the property mandated by the new law, even if the
- 24 Supreme Court upheld the law.
- 25 5. Under the Option Agreement, the DDA would sell the Diridon Property to
- 26 AIG at far less than its market value. The Property, originally acquired for \$25 million and
- 27 appraised at \$14 million at the time the Option Agreement was approved, is now listed as
- 28 having a 2013 book value of approximately \$29 million in the State Controller's Report.

- 1 Under the Option Agreement, the Property would be sold to AIG for only \$6.9 million for
- 2 the private ballpark use. Taxing entities that would receive distributions from the Successor
- 3 Agency upon a legitimate sale of the Property—free from the encumbrance of the Option
- 4 Agreement—would lose approximately \$22 million under the Option Agreement.
- 5 6. The State Controller's Report issued in March 2013 concluded that the
- 6 transfer of the Property to the DDA was unauthorized, and it ordered the City and the DDA
- 7 to transfer the Property back to the Successor Agency. Failing in their duty to comply with
- 8 the Redevelopment Law and the State Controller's Report, Respondents have now taken
- 9 action to transfer less than the full fee interest, and instead have transferred the Property
- 10 "subject" to the Option Agreement. At the June 18, 2013 joint City
- 11 Council/DDA/Successor Agency meeting, the DDA adopted Resolution No. 111.1, and the
- 12 Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 7021, each providing that the Diridon Property
- 13 be transferred to the Successor Agency "subject to the terms and provisions of the Option
- 14 Agreement " At that time the City Council also adopted Resolution No. 76738
- 15 authorizing the transfer, but did not address the Option Agreement or require the transfer to
- 16 be unencumbered. Thereafter, on June 27, 2013, the Oversight Board failed in its legal
- duty to overturn the Successor Agency's acceptance of the Property subject to the Option
- 18 Agreement. At the August 13, 2013 joint Council/DDA/Successor Agency meeting, the
- 19 DDA adopted Resolution No. 112.1, and the Successor Agency adopted Resolution No.
- 20 7022, each providing that 645 Park Avenue, part of the Diridon Property, be transferred to
- 21 the Successor Agency "subject to the terms and provisions of the Option Agreement"
- 22 In addition to violating the Redevelopment Law and the State Controller's Report,
- 23 Respondents undertook no effort at any of these meetings to comply with CEQA or to hold
- 24 a public vote before taking their actions in furtherance of the Ballpark Project.
- 25 7. Accordingly, this petition and complaint seeks a writ of mandate and
- 26 declaratory relief adjudging that Respondents' transfer of the Diridon Property subject to
- 27 the Option Agreement was unauthorized, contrary to law, void, and of no legal effect;
- 28 setting aside Respondents' transfer of the Diridon Property to the extent it remains subject

- 1 to the Option Agreement; ordering that Respondents transfer the entire fee interest
- 2 exclusive of and not subject to the Option Agreement, as required under the Redevelopment
- 3 Law; and permanently enjoining Respondents from the sale of the Diridon Property to AIG

4 pursuant to the Option Agreement.

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5 PARTIES

8. Petitioner and Plaintiff SFSJ is an unincorporated coalition, including

7 residents and taxpayers in San Jose and the County of Santa Clara, formed and dedicated to

addressing the risks to the environment and financial issues posed by the Ballpark Project.

Members of SFSJ reside and/or work in San Jose and Santa Clara County, including the

10 area of the proposed Ballpark Project, and will be affected by the Project's significant

11 environmental impacts. SFSJ's members are beneficially interested in the City's public

12 planning and environmental review processes, and seek to promote the public interest by

13 ensuring that environmental issues critical to taxpayers, jobs, local businesses and

neighborhoods are put first as the City evaluates proposed development projects that have

15 the potential to significantly affect the environment and the downtown area. SFSJ and its

16 members seek to ensure that before the Diridon Property is sold to a private party for a

17 ballpark use, the City's elected decision-makers—as well as the voting public—have all of

18 the environmental information required under CEQA and other information necessary to

make informed decisions for the sale of public lands and downtown development. SFSJ

20 members are interested as citizens and taxpayers in making sure that San Jose and its

21 agencies protect and promote the public interest by complying with State and local laws,

22 including CEQA, San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95, and the Redevelopment Law. In 2010-

23 2011, SFSJ submitted numerous written and oral comments to Respondents setting forth

24 their environmental and other objections to the Ballpark Project. In June 2013, SFSJ

25 submitted written and oral comments to Respondents setting forth objections to the

26 Successor Agency's determination that the Diridon Property should be accepted subject to

27 the Option Agreement and Respondents' treatment of the Option Agreement as a

28 continuing and enforceable obligation; and urging the Oversight Board to review and

overturn the Successor Agency's determination that the Diridon Property be accepted 1 subject to the Option Agreement. 2 Petitioner and Plaintiff Eileen Hannan ("Petitioner Hannan") is a resident, 9. 3 voter, property owner, and taxpayer in the City of San Jose, and seeks to protect her 4 interests and the interests of those similarly situated in San Jose. Petitioner Hannan is 5 employed in San Jose, commutes in and around the City, and uses freeways and roadways on a regular basis that will be impacted by the Ballpark Project. Petitioner Hannan is a 7 member and supporter of SFSJ, with similar interests and concerns as those alleged in 8 paragraph 8 above. Petitioner Hannan is beneficially interested in and affected by the 9 City's planning and environmental review processes, and seeks to promote the public 10 interest by ensuring that environmental issues critical to taxpayers, jobs, local businesses 11 and neighborhoods are considered in accordance with law; and that the City's elected 12 decision-makers, as well as the voting public, have all of the environmental information 13 required under CEQA and other information necessary to make informed decisions for the 14 sale of public lands for downtown development. Petitioner Hannan seeks through this 15 petition and complaint to protect the public interest by ensuring that San Jose and its 16 agencies comply with State and local laws, including CEQA, San Jose Municipal Code 17 § 4.95, and the Redevelopment Law. 18 Petitioner and Plaintiff Michelle Brenot ("Petitioner Brenot") is a resident, 19 voter, property owner, and taxpayer in the City of San Jose, and seeks to protect her 20 interests and the interests of those similarly situated in San Jose. Petitioner Brenot lives in 21 downtown San Jose, commutes from and around the City, and uses freeways and roadways 22 on a regular basis that will be impacted by the Ballpark Project. Petitioner Brenot is a 23 member and supporter of SFSJ, with similar interests and concerns as those alleged in 24 paragraph 8 above. Petitioner Brenot is beneficially interested in and affected by the City's 25 planning and environmental review processes, and seeks to promote the public interest by 26 ensuring that environmental issues critical to taxpayers, jobs, local businesses and 27 neighborhoods are considered in accordance with law; and that the City's elected decision-28

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- 1 makers, as well as the voting public, have all of the environmental information required
- 2 under CEQA and other information necessary to make informed decisions for the sale of
- 3 public lands for downtown development. Petitioner Brenot seeks through this petition and
- 4 complaint to protect the public interest by ensuring that San Jose and its agencies comply
- 5 with State and local laws, including CEQA, San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95, and the
- 6 Redevelopment Law.
- 7 11. Petitioner and Plaintiff Robert Brown ("Petitioner Brown") is a resident of
- 8 Santa Clara County, residing in Los Gatos, and employed in San Jose in proximity to the
- 9 proposed Ballpark Project site. Among other things, Petitioner Brown commutes to and
- 10 around San Jose, and uses freeways and roadways on a regular basis that will be adversely
- impacted by the Ballpark Project. Petitioner Brown is beneficially interested in and
- 12 affected by the City's planning and environmental review processes, and seeks to promote
- 13 the public interest by ensuring that environmental issues critical to taxpayers, jobs, local
- 14 businesses and neighborhoods are considered in accordance with law; and that the City's
- 15 elected decision-makers, as well as the voting public, have all of the environmental
- 16 information required under CEQA and other information necessary to make informed
- 17 decisions for the sale of public lands for downtown development. Petitioner Brown seeks
- 18 through this petition and complaint to protect the public interest by ensuring that San Jose
- 19 and its agencies comply with State and local laws, including CEQA, San Jose Municipal
- 20 Code § 4.95, and the Redevelopment Law.
- 21 12. Petitioner and Plaintiff Karen Shirey ("Petitioner Karen Shirey") is a
- 22 resident, voter, property owner, and taxpayer in the City of San Jose, and seeks to protect
- 23 her interests and the interests of those similarly situated in the City. Petitioner Karen Shirey
- 24 resides in San Jose, and uses freeways and roadways on a regular basis that will be
- 25 impacted by the Ballpark Project. Petitioner Karen Shirey is a member and supporter of
- 26 SFSJ, with similar interests and concerns as those alleged in paragraph 8 above. Petitioner
- 27 Karen Shirey is beneficially interested in and affected by the City's planning and
- 28 .environmental review processes, and seeks to promote the public interest by ensuring that

- 1 environmental issues critical to taxpayers, jobs, local businesses and neighborhoods are
- 2 considered in accordance with law; and that the City's elected decision-makers, as well as
- 3 the voting public, have all of the environmental information required under CEQA and
- 4 other information necessary to make informed decisions for the sale of public lands for
- 5 downtown development. Petitioner Karen Shirey seeks through this petition and complaint
- 6 to protect the public interest by ensuring that San Jose and its agencies comply with State
- 7 and local laws, including CEQA, San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95, and the Redevelopment
- 8 Law-
- 9 13. Petitioner and Plaintiff Fred Shirey ("Petitioner Fred Shirey") is a resident,
- 10 voter, property owner, and taxpayer in the City of San Jose, and seeks to protect his
- 11 interests and the interests of those similarly situated in the City. Petitioner Fred Shirey
- 12 resides in San Jose, and uses freeways and roadways on a regular basis that will be
- 13 impacted by the Ballpark Project. Petitioner Fred Shirey is a member and supporter of
- 14 SFSJ, with similar interests and concerns as those alleged in paragraph 8 above. Petitioner
- 15 Fred Shirey is beneficially interested in and affected by the City's planning and
- 16 environmental review processes, and seeks to promote the public interest by ensuring that
- 17 environmental issues critical to taxpayers, jobs, local businesses and neighborhoods are
- 18 considered in accordance with law; and that the City's elected decision-makers, as well as
- 19 the voting public, have all of the environmental information required under CEQA and
- 20 other information necessary to make informed decisions for the sale of public lands for
- 21 downtown development. Petitioner Fred Shirey seeks through this petition and complaint
- 22 to protect the public interest by ensuring that San Jose and its agencies comply with State
- 23 and local laws, including CEQA, San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95, and the Redevelopment
- 24 Law.
- 25 14. Petitioner and Plaintiff Robert Shields ("Petitioner Shields") is a resident,
- 26 voter, property owner, and taxpayer in the City of San Jose, and seeks to protect his
- 27 interests and the interests of those similarly situated in the City. Petitioner Shields resides
- 28 in San Jose, and uses freeways and roadways on a regular basis that will be impacted by the

- Ballpark Project. Petitioner Shields is a member and supporter of SFSJ, with similar 1 interests and concerns as those alleged in paragraph 8 above. Petitioner Shields is 2 beneficially interested in and affected by the City's planning and environmental review 3 processes, and seeks to promote the public interest by ensuring that environmental issues 4 critical to taxpayers, jobs, local businesses and neighborhoods are considered in accordance 5 with law; and that the City's elected decision-makers, as well as the voting public, have all 6 of the environmental information required under CEQA and other information necessary to 7 make informed decisions for the sale of public lands for downtown development. Petitioner 8 Shields seeks through this petition and complaint to protect the public interest by ensuring 9 that San Jose and its agencies comply with State and local laws, including CEQA, San Jose 10-Municipal Code § 4.95, and the Redevelopment Law. 11 Respondent and Defendant City of San Jose is a charter city organized under 12 the constitution and laws of the State of California. Among other things, the City was 13 identified as the Lead Agency for the Ballpark Project in a Notice of Preparation for the 14 2010 SEIR, dated November 17, 2009, and in a Notice of Determination for approval of the 15 Option Agreement and sale of the Diridon Property for the Ballpark Project, dated 16 November 8, 2011. The City is principally responsible pursuant to CEQA for conducting a 17 legally-sufficient environmental review for the Ballpark Project, including preparation of 18 environmental documents (a) that accurately describe the Project, the environmental 19 baseline, and the potentially significant impacts of the Project; and (b) that evaluate 20 mitigation measures and/or alternatives to lessen or avoid any significant impacts. The 21 City, acting through the City Council and other agencies, is also responsible for approving 22 the Project in reliance on adequate environmental review under CEQA and in compliance 23 with all other applicable State and local laws, including the Redevelopment Law and San 24 Jose Municipal Code § 4.95. 25 Respondent and Defendant City Council is the duly-elected legislative body 16. 26
 - of the City charged by law with a number of legal duties in respect to the Ballpark Project, including complying with the requirements of CEQA and the San Jose Municipal Code.

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1	The City Council is one of the decision-making agencies within the City for the sale of the
2	Diridon Property to AIG subject to the Option Agreement, and is responsible, in part, for
3	the actions and decisions of Respondents in approving the Ballpark Project at issue herein.
4	17. Respondent and Defendant Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency
5	of the City of San Jose is responsible for overseeing the winding down of redevelopment
6	activity at the local level under the Redevelopment Law, including managing
7	redevelopment projects currently underway, making payments on enforceable obligations,
8	and disposing of redevelopment assets and properties. On January 24, 2012, pursuant to the
9	Redevelopment Law dissolution legislation (AB X1 26 as amended by AB 1484), the City
0	of San Jose elected to be the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City
1	of San Jose. The Redevelopment Agency was officially dissolved as of February 1, 2012.
2	18. Respondent and Defendant Oversight Board of the Successor Agency to the
13	Redevelopment Agency of the City of San Jose supervises the work of the Successor
14	Agency. In the exercise of its oversight duties, the Oversight Board is required to ensure
15	that the Successor Agency complies with the Redevelopment Law, and has a fiduciary
16	responsibility to the local agencies that would benefit from property tax distributions from
17	the former redevelopment project area.
18	19. Respondent and Defendant DDA is a joint powers authority created by the
19	City and the Redevelopment Agency in March 2011 for the purpose, among others, of
20	holding title to the Diridon Property upon transfer from the Redevelopment Agency in an
21	effort to avoid the effects of the proposed changes to the Redevelopment Law. The DDA
22	was a party to the Option Agreement as approved in joint session with the City Council on
23	November 8, 2011. As heretofore alleged, the Option Agreement granted AIG an option to
24	purchase the Diridon Property from the DDA, subject to certain conditions, including that
25	the Property may be used only for a private ballpark and incidental uses.
26	20. Petitioners are unaware of the true names of Respondents and Defendants
27	sued as Does 1 through 10, inclusive. Petitioners are informed and believe, and on that
28	basis allege, that Respondents Does 1-10, inclusive, are individuals, entities or agencies

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1	with authority to approve and/or with an interest in the Ballpark Project. When the true			
2	identities and capacities of these Respondents have been determined, Petitioners will, with			
3	leave of Court if necessary, amend this petition and complaint to insert such identities and			
4	capacities.			
5	21. Petitioners are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that Real Party			
6	in Interest AIG is an entity associated in some manner with the Oakland Athletics baseball			
7	club. Among other things, AIG is the entity to whom the DDA granted the exclusive optio			
8	to purchase the Diridon Property as alleged herein.			
9	22. Petitioners are unaware of the true names of Real Parties in Interest sued as			
10	Does 11 through 20, inclusive. Petitioners are informed and believe, and on that basis			
11	allege, that Real Party in Interest Does 11-20, inclusive, are individuals, entities or agencies			
12	with authority to approve and/or with an interest in the Ballpark Project. When the true			
13	identities and capacities of these Real Parties in Interest have been determined, Petitioners			
14	will, with leave of Court if necessary, amend this petition and complaint to insert such			
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16	JURISDICTION AND VENUE			
17	23. This Court has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to Code of Civil			
18	Procedure §§ 1085 and 1094.5, Public Resources Code §§ 21168 and 21168.5, and Article			
19	VI, § 10 of the California Constitution.			
20	24. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §§ 394			
21	and 395, in that the causes of action alleged herein arose in Santa Clara County, where the			
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23	approve the Project and encumber the Property with the Option Agreement as alleged			
24	herein.			
25	BACKGROUND			
26	Petitioners' Pending Lawsuit Challenging the Original Approval of the			
27	Option Agreement			
28	25. On December 2, 2011, Petitioners and Plaintiffs filed a prior lawsuit in this			
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1	Court (Case No. 111-CV-214196) challenging the actions taken by Respondents in			
2	November 2011, in originally approving the Option Agreement and the sale thereunder of			
3	the publicly-owned Diridon Property to AIG for the Ballpark Project. A Verified First			
4	Amended Petition for Writ of Mandamus and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive			
5	Relief and for Attorney's Fees was filed in that action on December 7, 2011.			
6	As alleged in Case No. 111-CV-214916, by approving the Option			
7	Agreement, Respondents abused their discretion and failed to comply with law, in that they			
8	failed to cure legal deficiencies in the 2007 environmental impact report ("2007 EIR") and			
9	the 2010 supplemental environmental impact report ("2010 SEIR"); failed to update those			
10	documents to address changed circumstances and significant new information; failed to			
11	hold a public vote, as required by Municipal Code § 4.95, before committing to sell public			
12	property at a (then) 50% discount for a private ballpark project; and committed an illegal			
13	expenditure of public funds and property in violation of CEQA, Municipal Code § 4.95,			
14	and the Redevelopment Law.			
15	27. The administrative record in Case No. 111-CV-214916 has been prepared			
16	and the case remains pending in this Court. However, pursuant to stipulation of the parties			
17	and Order of the Court dated June 5, 2013, the briefing schedule in Case No. 111-CV-			
18	214916 was stayed pending the outcome of Respondents' re-transfer of the Diridon			
19	Property to the Successor Agency pursuant to the State Controller's Report, and the recent			
20	actions of the Successor Agency and the Oversight Board in respect to said re-transfer,			
21	which actions are now the subject of the instant petition and complaint. On August 9, 2013,			
22	the Court ordered that the November 8, 2013 trial date be vacated and that the instant case			
23	and the prior case be consolidated.			
24	The State Controller's Order That Respondents Reverse the Transfer			
25	of the Diridon Property and Return it to the Successor Agency			
26	· 28. Health & Safety Code § 34161 provides that "commencing on the effective			
27	date of this part, no agency shall incur new or expand existing monetary or legal obligations			
28	except as provided in this part. All of the provisions of this part shall take effect and be			

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1	operative on the effective date of the act adding this part." The effective date of the act			
2	adding Health & Safety Code, division 24, parts 1.8 (Restrictions on Redevelopment			
3	Agency Operations) and 1.85 (Dissolution of Redevelopment Agencies and Designation of			
4	Successor Agencies) was June 28, 2011. Part 1.8's purpose is to preserve redevelopment			
5	agency assets and revenues for use by "local governments to fund core governmental			
6	services including police and fire protection services and schools" (Health & Safety Code			
7	§ 34167(a), emphasis added) that do not include a private ballpark.			
8	29. Commencing on the effective date of the new Redevelopment Law,			
9	redevelopment agencies were "unauthorized and shall not take any action to incur			
10	indebtedness, including [p]ledge or encumber, for any purpose, any of its revenues or			
11	assets," which include real property. Health & Safety Code § 34162(a)(6). "Any actions			
12	taken that conflict with this section [§ 34162] are void from the outset and shall have no			
13	force or effect." Id. § 34162(b). As of the same date, an agency further "shall not have the			
14	to the mild in our obligations or make			
15	commitments to, any entity, whether governmental, tribal, or private, or any individual or			
16	groups of individuals for any purpose"; "[d]ispose of assets" including real property, or			
17	"[t]ransfer, assign, vest, or delegate any of its assets." Id. § 34163(b), (d), (f). During the			
18	same time period, agencies are further prohibited from approving, directing or causing the			
19	approval of any program, project, or expenditure where approval is not required by law and			
20	from providing or committing to provide financial assistance. Id. § 34164(d), (m).			
21	30. With respect to any transfers of redevelopment agency assets, Health &			
22	Safety Code § 34167.5 provides:			
23	"Commencing on the effective date of the act adding this part, the Controller shall review the activities of redevelopment agencies in			
24	the state to determine whether an asset transfer has occurred after January 1, 2011, between the city or county, or city and county that			
25	created a redevelopment agency or any other public agency, and the redevelopment agency. If such an asset transfer did occur during			
26	that period and the government agency that received the assets is not contractually committed to a third party for the expenditure or			
27	encumbrance of those assets, to the extent not prohibited by state and federal law, the Controller shall order the available assets to be			
28	returned on or after October 1, 2011, to the successor agency			

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1	Upon receiving that order from the Controller, an affected local agency shall, as soon as practicable, reverse the transfer and return
2	the applicable assets to the successor agency The Legislature hereby finds that a transfer of assets by a redevelopment agency during the period covered in this section is deemed not to be in the
3 4	furtherance of the Community Redevelopment Law and is thereby unauthorized."
5	31. In March 2011, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency transferred the Diridon
6	Property to the DDA in violation of these provisions of the Redevelopment Law. The DDA
7	then entered into the Option Agreement with AIG as of November 8, 2011, again in
8	violation of the Redevelopment Law.
9	32. These actions by Respondents were subject to the authority and review of
9	the State Controller. On or about March 21, 2013, the Successor Agency received the State
11	Controller's Report concluding the prior transfer of the Diridon Property by the
12	Redevelopment Agency was not an allowable transaction: "Pursuant to H&S Code section
13	34167.5, a redevelopment agency may not transfer assets to a city, county, city and county,
14	or any other public agency after January 1, 2011. Those assets should be turned over to the
	Successor Agency for disposition in accordance with H&S Code section 34177(d) and (e).
15	" State Controller's Report at 6.
16	1 1.1 (1) Divides Describe returned to the
17	33. The Controller thus ordered that the Diridon Property be returned to the Successor Agency: "The agencies named [], as recipients of the unallowable asset
18	transfers, are ordered to immediately reverse the transfers and to turn over the assets to
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20	the Successor Agency." State Controller's Report at 3 (emphasis added). The Controller
21	rejected Respondents' argument that the Property was timely and "contractually
22	committed" to AIG: "The [Diridon Property assets] were not contractually committed to a
23	third party prior to June 28, 2011 Ibid. at 6 (emphasis added). Because the transfer
24	was unauthorized and ordered to be reversed, it was void ab initio and never became
25	enforceable or had legal effect. The Controller directed the Successor Agency, upon return
26	of the property, to properly dispose of it in accordance with Health & Safety Code
27	§§ 34177(d), (e) and 34181(a). <i>Ibid</i> . at 8, 11.
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1	Respondents' Continued Violation of State and Local Law
2	34. Notwithstanding the State Controller's Order, and the clear force and effect
3	of the Redevelopment Law as alleged above, the agenda for the June 18, 2013 Joint
4	City/DDA/Successor Agency meeting recommended that the DDA adopt a resolution
5	authorizing the Executive Director to transfer the Property back to the Successor Agency,
6	with the illegal condition that the Property be "subject to the terms and provisions of the
7	Option Agreement." Agenda at 28.
8	35. On June 18, 2013, the City Council (Resolution No. 76738) and the DDA
9	(Resolution No. 111.1) approved the re-transfer by the DDA of certain properties and assets
10	identified by the State Controller' Report, including the Diridon Property, back to the
11	Successor Agency. However, the DDA resolved that the Property would not be transferred
12.	free and clear of the encumbrance of the invalid Option Agreement, but rather "subject to"
13	and encumbered by the Option Agreement, as if the Option Agreement constituted a
14	continuing and binding encumbrance on the Property. The Successor Agency in its
15	resolution mimicked the DDA and authorized the acceptance of the Property "subject to"
16	the terms and provisions of the Option Agreement (Resolution No. 7021). In addition,
17	prior to these actions, Respondents took no action to comply with CEQA or to provide for a
18	public vote, even though their actions constituted separate and additional public agency
19	approvals of the Ballpark Project.
20	36. On June 27, 2013, the Oversight Board included an agenda item to discuss
21	the asset transfers update report including the re-transfer of the Diridon Property from the
22	DDA to the Successor Agency "subject to" the Option Agreement. Through their counsel,
23	Petitioners appeared at the meeting and submitted written and oral comments in opposition
24	to the re-transfer of the Property subject to the Option Agreement. Despite a mandatory
25	duty under the Redevelopment Law and the State Controller's Report to review and reverse
26	the actions of the Successor Agency in accepting the re-transfer of the Property encumbered
27	by the Option Agreement with AIG, the Oversight Board refused to take any action on the
28	re-transfer.

1	37. On August 13, 2013, the DDA (Resolution No. 112.1) approved the re-			
2	transfer of 645 Park Avenue, part of the Diridon Property, back to the Successor Agency.			
3	However, the DDA resolved that the Property would not be transferred free and clear of the			
4	encumbrance of the invalid Option Agreement, but rather "subject to" and encumbered by			
5	the Option Agreement, as if the Option Agreement constituted a continuing and binding			
6	encumbrance on the Property. The Successor Agency in its resolution mimicked the DDA			
7	and authorized the acceptance of the Property "subject to" the terms and provisions of the			
8	Option Agreement (Resolution No. 7022). Through their counsel, Petitioners appeared at			
9	the meeting and submitted written comments in opposition to the re-transfer of 645 Park			
10	Avenue subject to the Option Agreement. In addition, prior to these actions, Respondents			
11	took no action to comply with CEQA or to provide for a public vote, even though their			
12	actions constituted separate and additional public agency approvals of the Ballpark Project			
13	FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION			
14	(Writ of Mandate – Violation of Mandatory Duty			
15	Under Redevelopment Law)			
16	38. Petitioners incorporate herein by reference the allegations contained in			
17	paragraphs 1 through 37, inclusive.			
18	39. The Oversight Board is required to direct the Successor Agency to "[c]ease			
19	performance in connection with and terminate all existing agreements that do not qualify a			
20	enforceable obligations." Health & Safety Code § 34181(b). The Option Agreement does			
21	not qualify as an enforceable obligation pursuant to Redevelopment Law or any other law			
22	as heretofore alleged. See, e.g., Health & Safety Code §§ 34179.5(b)(2) and 34171.			
23	40. In addition, the Successor Agency is required to "[d]ispose of assets and			
24	properties of the former redevelopment agency as directed by the oversight board;			
25	provided, however, that the oversight board may instead direct the successor agency to			
26	transfer ownership of certain assets pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 34181." Health			
27	& Safety Code § 34177(e). Under Health & Safety Code § 34181(a), the Oversight Board			
28	"shall direct the successor agency" to "[d]ispose of all assets and properties of the former			
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- 1 redevelopment agency." Such disposal "shall be done expeditiously and in a manner aimed
- 2 at maximizing value." Id.
- 3 41. Both the Successor Agency and the Oversight Board failed to comply with,
- 4 and have violated, these mandatory duties imposed under the Redevelopment Law. The
- 5 Redevelopment Agency's original transfer of the Diridon Property to the DDA in March
- 6 2011, and the subsequent grant of an Option Agreement on the Property by the DDA in
- 7 November 2011, were unauthorized actions taken in violation of the Redevelopment Law.
- 8 Health & Safety Code § 34167.5. Pursuant to the State Controller's Report and Health &
- 9 Safety Code § 34167.5, the transfer of the Property to the DDA was void ab initio and the
- 10 DDA had no authority to enter into the Option Agreement. A private party such as AIG
- obtains no rights in an Option Agreement approved by public agencies contrary to
- 12 requirements of law. Furthermore, the re-transfer of the Property back to the Successor
- 13 Agency, purportedly subject to the Option Agreement, fails to fulfill the primary purpose of
- 14 the Redevelopment Law: to preserve and dispose of redevelopment assets and revenues for
- 15 use by local governments to fund core government services, such as fire protection, police
- 16 and schools. Instead, the Option Agreement would help develop and fund a private
- ballpark project at a price far below fair market value, thwarting the purpose of the
- 18 Redevelopment Law.
- 19 42. Accordingly, Respondents have breached a mandatory duty to provide for
- 20 the transfer and disposition of the Diridon Property without the encumbrance of the Option
- 21 Agreement. The Option Agreement should be adjudged invalid and unenforceable, and an
- 22 injunction should be issued to prevent the sale and transfer of the Diridon Property to AIG
- 23 under the Option Agreement.
- 24 43. Other than the relief sought herein, Petitioners and Plaintiffs lack any plain,
- 25 speedy, or adequate remedy at law, and their interests will be irreparably harmed if the
- 26 Diridon Property remains subject to the terms and conditions of the Option Agreement in
- 27 whole or in part.

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1	SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION
2	(Writ of Mandate - Violation of Public Vote Requirement,
3	San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95)
4	44. Petitioners incorporate herein by reference the allegations contained in
5	paragraphs 1 through 43, inclusive.
6	45. Respondents were required to comply with the public vote requirement
7	under San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95 before acting to keep the Option Agreement in effect
8	as an essential step in the development of the Ballpark Project.
9	46. Section 4.95 of the San Jose Municipal Code prohibits the use of tax dollars
10	in connection with the building of a sports facility, unless first approved by a majority vote
11	of San Jose voters. San Jose Municipal Code, § 4.95.010.
12	47. As previously alleged, the Redevelopment Agency began acquiring the
13	Diridon Property in 2005 and, over the next three years, spent more than \$25 million in
14	taxpayer funds to acquire these parcels. The Agency completed these acquisitions without
15	any public vote on the pretext that the acquired property could also be used for housing, "a
16	legitimate alternative use" to a ballpark. The Agency also committed to holding a public
17	vote "prior to the City Council making any decision as to a potential ballpark." Board
18	Memoranda, dated Nov. 8, 2005 and Feb. 28, 2006 (emphasis added).
19	48. Through the Option Agreement, Respondents attempted to foreclose any
20	possibility that the Diridon Property could be used for housing or any other non-ballpark
21	use. Approval of the Option Agreement was manifestly a "decision as to a potential
22	ballpark," as it requires that public property be used only for a baseball stadium.
23	49. Because the Option Agreement commits the taxpayer-funded Diridon
24	Property to exclusive use as a sports facility, including sale of the Property at a small
25	fraction of its fair market value, a public vote was required before the Option Agreement
26	could be approved. By re-transferring the Diridon Property still subject to the Option
27	Agreement without a prior public vote, Respondents again failed to obey a mandatory duty
28	required by law.
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1	50. Accordingly, the Option Agreement should be adjudged invalid and an			
2	injunction should be issued to prevent the sale and transfer of the Diridon Property to AIG			
3	pursuant to the Option Agreement.			
4	Other than the relief sought herein, Petitioners lack any plain, speedy, or			
5	adequate remedy at law, and their interests will be irreparably harmed if the Diridon			
6	Property remains subject to the terms and conditions of the Option Agreement in whole or			
7	in part.			
8	THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION			
9	(Violation of CEQA, Pub. Res. Code § 21000, et seq.)			
10	52. Petitioners incorporate herein by reference the allegations contained in			
11	paragraphs 1 through 51, inclusive.			
12	53. To the extent that Respondents were vested with any discretion in the re-			
13	transfer of the Diridon property under the requirements of the Redevelopment Law and the			
14	State Controllers' Report, they were required first to comply with CEQA by preparing and			
15	certifying a legally adequate EIR for the Ballpark Project.			
16	54. SFSJ commented in its June 26, 2013 and August 12, 2013 letters to the			
17	Oversight Board and Successor Agency that Respondents' actions in re-transferring the			
18	Diridon Property to the Successor Agency subject to the Option Agreement required the			
19	Successor Agency first to comply with CEQA. However, Respondents' actions and			
20	resolutions adopted on June 18, 2013 and August 13, 2013, fail to provide for any			
21	compliance with CEQA. Respondents may not rely on the previous 2007 EIR and 2010			
22	SEIR prepared for the Ballpark Project because they are inadequate as a matter of law as			
23	alleged in Case No. 111-CV-214196.			
24	55. SFSJ submitted written and oral comments to the Oversight Board and			
25	Successor Agency objecting to Respondents' lack of, and inadequacy of, prior			
26	environmental review.			
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1	56. Petitioners have provided written notice of the commencement	ent of this action
2	to Respondents, in compliance with CEQA § 21167.5, and have included a	copy of that
3	notice and proof of service as Exhibit A hereto.	
4	57. Petitioners have served the Attorney General with a copy of	this petition,
5	along with a notice of its filing, in compliance with CEQA § 21167.7, and	have included
6	the notice and proof of service as Exhibit B hereto.	
7	58. Petitioners do not have a plain, speedy, or adequate remedy	at law and will
8	suffer irreparable injury due to the ensuing environmental damage that will	be caused by
9	implementation of the Ballpark Project, and Respondents' violations of CE	QA and other
0	laws, unless this Court grants the requested writ of mandate and injunctive	relief requiring
1	Respondents to set aside the transfer of the Property subject to the Option	Agreement and
12	other actions as alleged herein.	
13	By failing to conduct the required environmental review un	der CEQA,
14	4 Respondents committed a prejudicial abuse of discretion, failed to proceed	in the manner
15	required by law, and failed to support their actions and approvals with sub	stantial evidence.
16	FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION	
17	(Violation of C.C.P. § 526a and Common Law Taxpayer Cl	aim —
18	8 Unauthorized and Illegal Expenditure and Use of Prope	rty)
19	9 60. Petitioners incorporate herein by reference the allegations of	contained in
20	0 paragraphs 1 through 59, inclusive.	÷
21	1 61. Code of Civil Procedure § 526a authorizes an action to obta	ain a judgment,
22	2 restraining and preventing any illegal expenditure of or injury to public fu	nds or property.
23	3 The common law also recognizes a taxpayer action on similar grounds.	
24	4 62. In approving the Option Agreement for sale of the Diridon	Property for a
25	5 fraction of its fair market value, and in retransferring the Diridon Property	to the Successor
26	6 Agency subject to that agreement, Respondents acted unlawfully and in v	iolation of the
27	Redevelopment Law, San Jose Municipal Code § 4.95, and CEQA, as her	etofore alleged.
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1	Accordingly, the Option Agreement for the sale of the Diridon Property to AIG constitutes		
2	an unauthorized and illegal expenditure, use and transfer of the Property.		
3	63. The approval of the Option Agreement, and the retransfer of the Diridon		
4	Property subject to that agreement, should be set aside and an injunction should be issued to		
5	prevent Respo	ondents :	from carrying out, implementing or consummating the Option
6	Agreement, o	r from o	therwise selling or transferring the Diridon Property to AIG for the
7	Ballpark Proj	ect.	
8	64.	Other	than the relief sought herein, Petitioners lack any plain, speedy, or
9	adequate remedy at law, and Petitioners' interests will be irreparably harmed if the Diridon		
10	Property rem	ains sub	ject to the terms and conditions of the Option Agreement in whole or
11	in part.		
12			PRAYER FOR RELIEF
13	WHEREFO	RE, Petit	ioners pray for judgment as set forth below:
14	A.	For a	writ of mandate or peremptory writ issued under seal of this Court and
15		direct	ing Respondents to:
16		1.	Set aside their transfer of the Property to the Successor Agency to the
17			extent that the transfer and Property remain subject to the Option
18			Agreement;
19		2.	Transfer the Property to the Successor Agency free and clear of the
20			Option Agreement;
21		3.	Refrain from granting any further approval for the sale or disposition
22			of the Diridon Property to AIG for use as a ballpark, including
23			encumbering the Property with the Option Agreement, unless and
24			until Respondents comply fully with the requirements of San Jose
25			Municipal Code § 4.95 and CEQA as directed by this Court.
26	B.	For a	declaratory judgment stating that Respondents' transfer of the Property
27		subje	ect to the Option Agreement is void, invalid, and of no legal effect.
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1	C.	For entry of a preliminary and/of permanent injune non-promoting
2		Respondents from carrying out, implementing or consummating the Option
3		Agreement, and prohibiting Respondents from otherwise selling or
4		transferring the Diridon Property to AIG for the Ballpark Project.
5	D.	For an award to Petitioners' of their fees and costs, including reasonable
6		attorneys' fees, as authorized by Code of Civil Procedure § 1021.5, and any
7		other applicable provisions of law.
8	E.	For such other legal and equitable relief as this Court deems appropriate and
9		just.
10	Dated: Augu	st 15, 2013.
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1	VERIFICATION
2	I, Michelle Brenot, declare:
3	I am a resident, voter, taxpayer, and property owner in the City of San Jose, and a
4	member and supporter of Stand for San Jose. I have read the foregoing VERIFIED
5	PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS AND COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY
6	RELIEF AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES and know its
7	contents, and state that the matters alleged in the petition and complaint are true to the best
8	of my personal knowledge and belief.
9	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
10	Executed this 15 day of August, 2013, at San Jose, California.
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